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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that a fund crunch has led to some goals under the ambitious National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA) being embedded into five existing programmes of the agriculture sector; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) & (b): The mission document of NMSA was approved by Prime Minister's Council on Climate Change (PMCCC) with an overall financial implication of Rs.1,08,000 crore addressing 17 deliverables across 10 major dimensions in agriculture sector. However on the advice of erstwhile Planning Commission, the desired interventions have been embedded under the ongoing and the restructured schemes of Ministry of Agriculture, e.g. the National Food Security Mission, Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture, National Mission for Agriculture Extension & Technology, National Initiative on Climate Resilient Agriculture, Rashtriya Gokul Mission, National Livestock Mission etc. NMSA as a programmatic intervention has been operationalised from 2014-15 with an overall outlay of Rs.13034 crore for the 12th Plan period. The allocation for NMSA was Rs.1456.37 crore (RE) for 2014-15 and Rs.835 crore (BE) for 2015-16. NMSA programme interventions focus on development of rainfed areas, resource conservation, water use efficiency, soil health management etc.

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